REMARKS

Reconsideration of the above-referenced application is respectfully requested in view of the above amendments and these remarks. Claims 1-22 are currently pending.

Applicants note that the drawings as filed were accepted, but it has been observed that the reference number 304 appeared twice in Figure 3. Applicants file a replacement sheet replacing the reference number 304 for the interface with reference number 308. This is consistent with the description of Figure 3 in the Specification.

According to the Office Action, claims 1-6, 8-13 and 15-22 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Applicant's Admitted Prior Art (AAPA) in view of United States Patent Application Publication No. 2003/0120813 A1 to Majumdar et al. Applicants have amended independent claims 1, 9 and 17 to address the claim. In particular, Applicants have amended independent claims 1, 9 and 17 to indicate that the proxy intercepts and identifies messages as compresses being sent from a mobile unit. The proxy also intercepts and identifies a second message and generates a response message that is send to a server.

It is stated that AAPA discloses the concept of a contact alias. Applicants do not rely on the concept of contact alias in claim 1. This concept is now found in dependent claims. It is submitted that Majumdar discloses the concept intercepting and identifying messages and compressing these messages. It is respectfully submitted, however, that Majumdar does not teach or suggest that the proxy itself has any connection with the compression. In fact, Majumdar states in paragraph [0032] "the SIP Agent 108 compresses the full Response by deleting fields matching contents of the static and default dictionaries." Thus, Majumdar relies on the SIP Agent and not the proxy as required by the present invention to perform the compression. According to the present claims, the proxy is performing steps all in one device that do not perform those functions as known in the prior art including AAPA and Majumdar.

In light of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that the combination of AAPA and Majumdar does not disclose, teach or otherwise suggest the invention as found in independent claims 1, 9 and 17. It is therefore respectfully submitted that these claims are not obvious in view of cited prior art. As claims 2-6 and 8 depend on claim 1,

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claims 10-13 and 15-16 depend upon claim 9 and claims 18-22 depend upon claim 17 and include the limitations found in those claims, it is respectfully submitted that the cited references also do not disclose, teach or otherwise suggest the contents of the dependent claims. Applicants therefore request that this rejection under Section 103(a) be withdrawn.

Claims 7 and 14 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over AAPA in view of Majumdar and further in view of United States Patent Application Publication No. 2004/0215766 A1 to Haddad. It is stated that Haddad teaches advertising the presence of a proxy for signaling message compression to the mobile unit. Haddad does not, however, disclose teach or otherwise suggest that the proxy perform compression as required by the present invention. It is therefore respectfully submitted that claims 7 and 14 are not obvious in light of the combination of references for the reasons given above. It is requested that this rejection under Section 103(a) be withdrawn.

As the Applicants have overcome all substantive rejections and objections given by the Examiner and have complied with all requests properly presented by the Examiner, the Applicants contend that this Amendment, with the above discussion, overcomes the Examiner's objections to and rejections of the pending claims. Therefore, the Applicants respectfully solicit allowance of the application. If the Examiner is of the opinion that any issues regarding the status of the claims remain after this response, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned representative to expedite resolution of the matter.

Please charge any fees associated herewith, including extension of time fees, to **50-2117**.

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